2006 SOII Press Release Information Bureau of Labor Statistics Survey Of Occupational Injuries & Illnesses

- On October 16th the Bureau of Labor Statistics released for publishing summary data reporting the total numbers and rates of workplace injuries and illnesses. More detailed numbers regarding injuries and illnesses in particular occupations, industries and types will be released in November.
- In Indiana, the number of workplace injuries and illnesses is continues to decline. Workplace injuries and illnesses decreased 5.2% over 2005. 6,100 fewer workers were injured despite an increase of 8,795 working Hoosiers in 2006.
- The rate of injuries and illness for Indiana private industries has also declined from 5.8 in 2005 to 5.4 in 2006.
- Manufacturing has the highest injury and illness rate of all the major industries in Indiana. However, efforts to reduce the rate are working as the 2006 rate of 7.3 is significantly lower than previous year's rates. There were 6,700 fewer injuries than in 2005.
- The industry groups with the highest Injury and Illness rate in 2006 are the same as reported in 2005
 - Manufacturing (7.3)
 - Healthcare & Social Assistance(6.6).
 - Agriculture, forestry, fishing & hunting (5.8)
- Industries with the highest number of recordable cases are:
 - Manufacturing (41,900)
 - Health Care (16,500)
 - Retail Trade (13,700).

Injuries and Illnesses in these three industries account for 65% of all private industry occupational injuries and illnesses.







